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**Tucson Electric Power
Energy Efficiency
E-01933A-11-0055**

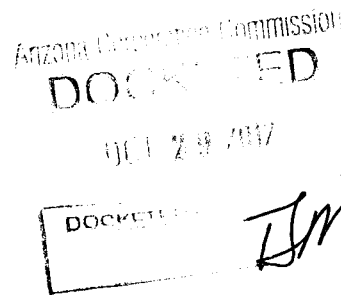


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Sent: Monday, October 22, 4
To: Pierce-Web
Subject: Support for Immediate Implementation of Energy Efficiency Programs in TEP's Energy Efficiency Plan per ROO, E-01933A-11-0055

Oct 22, 2012

Commissioner Gary Pierce
1200 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ 85007



Dear Commissioner Pierce,

Tucson Electric Power (TEP) customers can wait no longer for vital energy efficiency programs to be reinstated. On August 21, 2012, Administrative Law Judge Jane Rodda issued a Recommended Opinion and Order, effective immediately, that the vast majority of TEP energy efficiency programs be resumed. Unfortunately, it appears that action on this order has been delayed again due to political issues. I am asking you to schedule consideration of this important plan immediately and move forward so that these critical energy efficiency programs will be delayed no further.

In 2011 TEP invested \$11 million in energy efficiency programs. For 2012, it will likely only be \$5 million. That means loss of programs and jobs associated with those programs. Tucsonans can't afford to wait another two months or longer for these programs.

At a Tucson hearing in July, TEP customers and consumer and conservation advocates spoke in favor of the prompt reinstatement of energy efficiency programs. They told the judge about how our community benefits from these programs, how we have been able to lower our bills and keep our homes more comfortable. They also spoke about the jobs that are supported by these programs.

Please support TEP customers and delay important action no further on these energy efficiency programs. Please move forward immediately according to the judge's order.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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Oct 23, 2012

Commissioner Gary Pierce
1200 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Commissioner Pierce,

I am an UNS Electric, Inc., customer with very similar rates as Tucson Electric Power (TEP), thus I am following this case very closely.

TEP customers should NOT wait any longer for vital energy efficiency programs to be reinstated. On August 21, 2012, Administrative Law Judge Jane Rodda issued a Recommended Opinion and Order, effective immediately, that the vast majority of TEP energy efficiency programs be resumed. I agree with ALJ Rodda's decision.

Unfortunately, it appears that action on this order has been delayed again due to political issues. I am asking you to schedule consideration of this important plan immediately and move forward so that these critical energy efficiency programs will be delayed no further. This should NOT be a political issue, in fact, the mission of the Corporation Commission should be apolitical, as petty politics have NOTHING to do with meeting the mission of this Commission. All politics should be eliminated from such discussions so the Commission can be fair and reasonable. Politics is NOT fair nor reasonable!

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As has often been said, the least expensive Watts are Negawatts, at about 15 cents each. All other forms of Watts are at least three times more costly. Why can't some Commissioners understand this basic concept?

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Mr. Marshall Magruder
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